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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, including particularly subsections (g) and (h) thereof, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98 including specifically subsection (d) thereof, Applicant calls to the attention of the Examiner the following documents, copies of which are enclosed:

B1 WO 00 36871 A (Kavak Nail; Telia AB (SE)) 22 June 2000 - pgs 8, 9, 12

C1 Holness F. et al: "Multiprotocol Label Switching Within the Core Network", 38th European Telecommunications Congress. Proceedings Networking the Future. Utrecht, NL, Aug 24-28, 1999 - pgs 97-100

- C2 Tai Won Um et al, "A Study on Interworking Scenarios Between ATM-Based MPLS Network and IPOA/Lane Network" - Proceedings of the IEEE Conference 2000 on High Performance Switching and Routing. Heidelberg, Germany, June 26-29, 2000, Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on High Performance Switching and Routing, New York, NY IEEE, US, 26 June 2000, pgs 275-800

These references were cited in a Search Report issued in the corresponding PCT application on January 28 2003. A copy of the Report, which includes an indication of the relevance of these references, is enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be entered into the record of this application. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate area on the enclosed copy of PTO Form 1449, thereby indicating consideration by the Examiner of each of these references.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present claims are patentable over the references identified herein, and requests timely and favourable examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted




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